

Thank you for worshiping with us this morning. We extend a special welcome to our guests.

For Children: We have trained nursery staff (paid nursery attendant as well as adult volunteers) for ages 0-4. The nursery is located on the first floor outside of the Community Room. (Accessible by the stairs from the Church Street Entrance or via the elevator). Children ages 5 and above are



invited to stay and worship with their families. Children's programs, books, and crayons are located in the rear of the sanctuary near the welcome table.

If you are visiting and did not stop at the welcome desk in the downstairs lobby please stop by after the service they would love to meet you or, please feel free to reach out to someone sitting near you and ask them questions about the service or church. Many of our visitors ask us about the time of offering. This is a time in our service when we respond to God's gifts of love by offering the gifts of our lives. For many of us, this is when we make a financial gift towards the ministries and programs of our church. We also use this time to ask God how we might use the gifts of our hands and hearts in sharing God's love. If you are visiting, there is no obligation to give a financial gift. We are just glad you are worshiping with us. At this time we are taking offering at the end of the service. Plates for offering will be placed at the doors as you exit the sanctuary. Thank you.

We ask that you please silence your cell phones during our worship service. We also ask that you refrain from applause after our choirs sing and allow the music to resonate in the quiet of the sanctuary and in your hearts. Our musicians are playing and singing for the glory of God. They know you appreciate their efforts and their gift.

Rest rooms (equipped with changing stations) are located on the first floor of the church building and outside the Community Room and the Nursery.

There is much information about the church in this bulletin and our website: www.erucc.org .

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EVANGELICAL REFORMED CHURCH

United Church of Christ

- An Open and Affirming Congregation -

October 3, 2021 Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

10:30 a.m.

*All who are able may stand. **Bold** print indicates responses by all

World Communion Sunday

On World Communion Sunday, we consciously gather with followers around the planet to take in the bread and cup of life and liberation. We worship, acknowledging the brokenness and hope that exists around the world and proclaim that the death-dealing ways of the powers-that-be are not the ways of God and Jesus, the radical one from Nazareth.

Greetings and Announcements Acts of Love

Amanda Spencer

Prelude

*Call to Worship

Today we celebrate World Communion Sunday, honoring the One who binds us together as one Christian community around the planet and calls us to live out our faith as one body. Come.

Let us be God's community.

Come with love.

The steadfast love of God never ceases.

Come with curiosity.

We are one body, one planet, one church.

Come with hope.

As we gather with the bread and the cup, justice is served.

Let us be in worship.

*Opening Prayer

O Source of Justice, we are your one body, called to follow Jesus to create beauty and justice on your one body, your planet. As we experience your word, may we be awakened to see how suffering hurts the entire body and how beauty enlivens us all.

Strengthen us.

Draw us in to witness your vision;
draw us in to the resilience and resistance
of the timeless faithful
in your work for justice. Amen.

*Opening Hymn Ofor a World

- No. 574

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we know that you love us and that you call us to fullness of life, but around us and within us we see the brokenness of the world and of our ways. Our successes leave us empty; our progress does not satisfy. Our prosperous land is not the promised land of our longing. Forgive our willful neglect of your word, our insensitivity to the needs of others, and our failure to feed the spirit that is within us; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Thought For the Day

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

*Hymn I Come with Joy

- No. 349

The Scriptures

Psalm 8

Read by Cliff Barr in French

O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens.
Out of the mouths of babes and infants

you have founded a bulwark because of your foes, to silence the enemy and the avenger.

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?

Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honour. You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet, all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Mark 10:13-16 Read by Miriam Massad in Arabic
People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch
them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this,
he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do
not stop them; for it is such as these that the kingdom of God belongs.
Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little
child will never enter it.' And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands
on them, and blessed them.

Reader: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Pastoral Prayer

Offering of Tithes, Gifts and Lives to Christ's Service

Anthem *Dona Nobis Pacem*

M. L. Lightfoot

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

Presentation of Breads from Around the World

Blessing

We bless you, gracious One, for the presence of your holy Spirit in the church you have gathered.

And we pray, come, holy Spirit; dwell in these breads and in this cup, that they may be for us both blessing and life.

Come, dwell in your people of every land and language, that we may be united with one another as the body of Christ in every corner of the world. With the faithful in every place and time, we praise your holy name:

Sanctus - **No. 793**

Holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you! My heart is glad to say the words: you are holy, God.

Words of Institution

Today, Christ-followers meet in public worship and secret gatherings to break bread together. Today, in grand churches and shanty-town hovels, wine is shared. In different languages, by ordained clergy and faithful lay leaders, Jesus' last supper is remembered as these words are shared:

On the night he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus gathered for supper with twelve of his closest friends, his disciples. He took the unleavened bread of the Passover feast, and when he had given thanks to God, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "This is my body, broken for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way after supper Jesus took the cup and gave it to his disciples, saying, "This cup is the new covenant – a new relationship with God, marked by the forgiveness of your sins. Drink of it, all of you."

These are gifts of God for the people of God.

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

(This morning we will bring communion to the congregation as you are seated in the pews. Please hold the bread until all have been served and the pastors extend the invitation for all to eat. Please hold the cup of grape juice until all have been served and the pastors extend the invitation for all to drink. In this way, we can commune together.)

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

You have met us at the table, Lord Jesus, to unite us with you and with brothers and sisters around the world. Go with us now into that world, that we may bring acts of love, bringing welcome among refugees, freedom among the oppressed, hope amid the persecuted, peace where violence reigns, a living faith where there is skepticism, and kindness toward the earth and its inhabitants. Amen.

*Closing Hymn In Christ There Is No East or West

- No. 394

*Sevenfold Amen - No. 814

*Benediction

From East, West, North and South we have been fed.

Now may the God of Community, three-in-one,

be with us all to be a just, free, and gentle people.

Let the people of God say, "Amen!"

Postlude (remain seated) Fanfare on MCKEE

C. Callahan

Worship notes: The Call to Worship and Opening Prayer are from Worships Ways, United Church of Christ. The Prayer of Thanksgiving and Presentation of the Breads was adapted by Heather Prince Doss.



Every Sunday at 10:30

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The flowers on the altar are in loving memory of Mike Condo who passed away October 5, 2016 by Patricia and Wells Condo.

The yellow rose bud on the stand is placed by Jeanellen Kallevang in honor of her recently discovered half-brother, Master Sergeant Michael Joseph Dremel (USAF-Retired), who served in the Iraq War.

If you are interested in sponsoring the yellow rose, please contact the church office.

Today: Oct. 3, 2021 Next Week: Oct. 10, 2021

Liturgists: Rev. Carolyn Roberts Glenn Wallace

Deacons: Mark Ulrich and Darryl Glick Chuck Baldree, Matt Pomeroy

Elders: Laura Rhoderick Tyler York

Greeters: Ann Hoffman, Cliff Barr, Drew Jones, Cathie Alshuler,

Starr Schaeberle Jo Ann Fritz Welcome: Betsy Selby Holly Davis

Sound: Tadd Clarkson, Jeff Schaeberle, Rodney Martin, Amanda Spencer,

Jack Day Ethan Kline

Chimers: Saturday: Suzanne Morris Tricia Coffey
Sunday: Tricia Coffey Kelly Esslinger

Attendance Last Sunday: 84 10:30



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Worship Next Week: October 10

In the gospel lesson in Mark 10:17-31 Jesus encounters a "person who follows the commandments, and knows what is required of all people to be in favor with God. Yet, there is something missing, and so he asks Jesus for advice. But Jesus' advice does not sit well: "Go, sell all you have, give it to the poor, and come back and follow me." The rich person cannot do this. The question that begins the conversation with Jesus is one that many would have wondered about in those days. Yet, it is not about an afterlife in heaven, but about living in the new reality that God was about to bring to bear on earth. In Hebrews 4:12–16 we are reminded that, even naked and unadorned before God, still God accepts us. Jesus knows all we have gone through, having experienced life just like us, with all its ups and downs, and understands all we go through. Just as he may have done with the rich one, so Jesus reaches out in love and touches us. *Spirit will be singing*.

Hospital and Prayer List – Your pastor wants to be available when members of ERUCC are in the hospital. Please let us know so that we can visit with you and your family and provide support. We always ask permission before adding a name to be included in the prayer list or in the verbal announcements on a Sunday morning. There are many for whom we pray and visit whose names are not listed in the bulletin by their request.

Prayer List - Prayer List – Please remember the following people in your prayers: Pat Hanberry, Ed Hoffman, Peggy Githerman, Tom Frazier, Jeannette Johnson, Emogene Wyand, Fran Wenner, Neremiah Castillo (niece of Andrew Beadle) Bonnie Devilbiss,, Maria Csiba (mother of Tamara Tamas), Trish Carey, Betsy Fisher, James "Jimmy" Sutphin (friend of Dan Smith), Danielle Hankey (friend of Ben Mercier), Leslie Tennant (mother of Maria Tennant), The McCarty family, Nikki Keller, Barbara Lee (sister of Milt Crutchley), Alyce Schimd (sister of Dennie Schmid), Tina Prescott (daughter in law of Barbara and Bill Prescott), Mary Remsberg, Susan Matesa (friend of Dan Smith & Austin Byrd), Susan McCauley (niece of Jack Stush), Heleen (sister of Karin Mens), Kathy Blue Shores (friend of Jean Fish and Barb Biser), Terry Smiley (uncle of Scott Smiley), Shawn Smiley (cousin of Scott Smiley), Gretchen Manuel (niece of Audrey Rayfield), Ann and Cal Theiss (parents of Katharine Alley), Frank Tymczyszyn (brother in law of Nancy Jones), Debra Reedy (friend of Jean Fish and Barb Biser), Jess Pautz (friend of Sean Sexton), Robin Hilton (sister of Bonnie Hilton).

We ask you to remember all of those currently serving in the Armed Forces. Your prayers and cards are welcomed and appreciated by those on our prayer list.



Volunteers Needed! The 4H is hosting a large event October 9-13 in our meeting rooms, Community Room and outside. If you are interested in assisting, please contact Bonnie Hilton at the church office or bhilton@erucc.org.

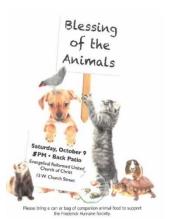
Monday Mess Hall - 5-6 p.m. each week in the Community Room

All ages are welcome to this evening gathering as we share a meal and conversation together. Suggested donation is \$2 per person. (There will be no Mess Hall on October 11th.)

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Saturday, October 9
Service of Blessing from 5:00 - 5:30 p.m.
Evangelical Reformed United Church of Christ
(Patio behind the Church)
15 West Church Street. Frederick, MD 21701

You are invited to bring your dogs, cats, birds, lizards, rabbits, fish, and other pets to be blessed at this special service. May we honor all of God's creatures and honor, as well, the loving relationship between humans and animals. Please bring a can or bag of animal food to support the Frederick Human Society.



ACTS OF LOVE - A Season of Stewardship and Reflection September 19-October 10th



Thank you for your faithful contributions and for those pledges that have already been received! Your generosity has enabled our church to continue to thrive. Your giving is an Act of Love.

This year's *Season of Stewardship* will end on Consecration Sunday, October 10, when we will formally offer our financial commitment to the church for 2022 through our pledges. Our theme, *Acts of Love*, expresses the many ways, large and small, that we have held each other in loving respect and caring during the pain, uncertainty, and changes of this past year.

During *the next two weeks*, *you will continue to hear stories* from members of our church family about acts of love they have experienced at ERUCC and what those acts have meant to them. This Sunday, Amanda Spencer has generously offered to speak.

As you listen to these stories and see these images on the bulletins, we invite you to reflect on your own stories, to be curious about acts of love you have offered or received, about your relationship to God, your values, your relationship to money and giving, and prayerfully consider the contribution you will give to support the church as it lives out God's love.

And, whether or not you make a pledge, on **Sunday, October 10, Consecration Sunday**, join us in celebrating this day at an **Ice Cream Social** hosted by the Stewardship/Generosity Committee. Ice cream sundaes will be served in the Community Room following the 10:30 service. After you add your toppings, you are welcome to enjoy fellowship in the Community Room or outside on the back patio. **Come have a Consecration Sundae!**

We are the church together and we look forward to continuing our spiritual journey together and celebrating with you on October 10.

Weekly Education Opportunities for Adults

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY with Pastor Daniel (North Room)

11:00 – Noon *God's Promise: I with You* takes readers on a journey through scripture to consider circumstances in which God articulated God's promise of presence. This study does not delve deeply into manifestations of God's presence but rather on God's articulation of God's promise. We will see anew that God offered these words of profound comfort and commitment to individuals and communities from the time of the patriarchs to that of the prophets; from the judges to the kings; before, during, and after the exile; into the New Testament and beyond, to the end of the age.

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY with Esther Ziegler (Trinity Chapel)

7:00 – 8:30 p.m. We will be using curriculum based on The Greatest Controversies of Early Christian History and How Jesus Became God both written and presented in lectures by Bart D. Ehrman, the James S. Gray Distinguished Professor of New Testament at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. The format of the sessions will include a recorded lecture by Prof. Ehrman, followed by discussion facilitated by Esther Ziegler. The sessions cover a variety of topics spanning approximately the first 325 years of the Christian era. They range from questions about what the Bible really says about Jesus' birth to how the discovery of the Gnostic Gospels cast light on diverse Christian theologies from the 1st and 2nd centuries to how the Council of Nicea in 325 BC was influenced by Emperor Constantine. Join us in learning how Christians from the earliest days struggled to understand who Jesus was, and who he is to us as a result of 2100+ years of evolving faith.

THURSDAY EVENING STUDY with Richard Leslie (North Room)

7:00-8:30 p.m. Text: Richard Horsley, *Covenant Economics* (no need to purchase unless you want to – it is a bit of a hard read).

Walking in interstellar space requires a tether. It's a lifeline that is attached from the walker to the mother ship. Among other things, it keeps the space walker from drifting away. It is a necessary connector. "Our hearts were made to find their rest in God, and they are restless until they do" (Augustine). Many of us try to go it alone, in effect cutting the tether that links us with the mothership that is our mother/father God. We are drifters. This course will patiently and deeply explore the concepts of Covenant Love, Liberation Theology, and Social Justice (2000BCE-2000AD), and how they connect. Ambitious journey? Sure! Come with me. Let's travel together.

Richard Leslie jalrl@comcast.net

Join Zoom Meeting

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ERUCC YOUTH

October 16th - 7:00-10:30 p.m. Bonfire Pumpkin Carving and a Movie At the Rhoderick/Cumber Home. Thanks to Alex, Liam, Laura and Cliff for welcoming us.

November 6th - First Saturday - Music and Snacks

ERUCC Youth will sponsor some bands from School of Rock and sell pre-packaged snacks and drinks to the crowd. This will be one of our fund raisers for next summer's activities.

GOD'S KIDS CLUB

God's Kids Club is designed for children Kindergarten through 5th grade. Youth help for events is always welcome. Masks required for in-person events. Send questions to Kim Sexton at ksexton@erucc.org

Oct. 8th zoom event 7:00-9:00 p.m. Decorate/ Carve a Pumpkin

You will need to provide your own supplies for this event

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81033127723?pwd=N0MzSnVNZFJaSXo1SlVxSUduQ1NMdz09

Meeting ID: 810 3312 7723

Passcode: 668761

Oct. 26th Halloween Day. There is no school on this day. We will meet from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Community Room. Come in costume, bring a bag lunch and an unused craft project for a bingo prize

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050B45AFA82EA13-halloween

MUSIC NEWS

Chimers Needed - Ever wondered how the chimes are played in Trinity Chapel or have a burning desire to learn? Please join our team of chimers! No experience is necessary - you just need to know how to read music. Please contact Tricia Coffey at 301-455-8720 (text) or trishcoffey1195@gmail.com (email). Thanks!

Children's/Youth music rehearsals began Sept. 13^{th.} In order to plan our activities and ensure we include as many people in rehearsals as are interested, please take the time to complete the survey available through the link below. We would love to hear your thoughts and ideas! If you have any questions, please feel contact Trish Coffey at 301-455-8720 or Trishcoffey1195@gmail.com. Survey - https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/H7K8RFX

Our **Handbell Ringers** enjoyed being able to bring back this great tradition to ERUCC last year. We would love to continue playing and have more of you join us. You DO NOT NEED TO KNOW HOW TO READ MUSIC to play! To any teens and/or adults who are interested in learning more, please reach out to Trish Coffey at 301-455-8720 or trishcoffey1195@gmail.com. Rehearsal days/times to be determined.



Sunday, October 24, beginning at 3:00 p.m. -- As part of the Evangelical Reformed United Church of Christ's (ERUCC) 275th Anniversary Celebration, Frederick native Christian Lane is performing an organ concert in the ERUCC Sanctuary. The event is open to the public. There is no admission fee. Chris is the son of Bert and Dayna Lane, formerly of Walkersville, MD. The event is being underwritten through support from the ERUCC congregation, The Frederick Mutual Insurance Company, and a Community Foundation of Frederick County FY 21 Impact Grant.

ERUCC 275TH ANNIVERSARY							
CALENDAR OF EVENTS							
OCTOBER							
17	10:30 a.m.	German Service with German partners					
24	3:00 p.m.	Organ Concert with Chris Lane					
31	10:30 a.m.	Worship - Homecoming Celebration					
NOVEMBER							
7	10:30 a.m.	All Saints/Totenfest Service including the reading of the names of					
		those ERUCC members who have died in the past year as well as					
		highlighting "saints" of ERUCC since our founding					
14	9:30 a.m.	Conversation with Rev. Freeman Palmer					
	10:30 a.m.	Worship: Rev. Freeman Palmer, Conference Minister,					
		Central Atlantic Conference of the United Church of Christ					
21	9:30 a.m.	Conversation with Rev. John Dorhauer					
	10:30 a.m.	Worship: Rev. John Dorhauer, General Minister and President,					
		United Church of Christ					

ERUCC BOOK GROUP

October 26 at 7 p.m.

(Location to be determined)

This Tender Land by William Kent Krueger

In the summer of 1932, on the banks of Minnesota's Gilead River, Odie O'Banion is an orphan confined to the Lincoln Indian Training School, a pitiless place where his lively nature earns him the superintendent's wrath. Forced to flee after committing a terrible crime, he and his brother, Albert, their best friend, Mose, and a brokenhearted little girl named Emmy steal away in a canoe, heading for the mighty Mississippi and a place to call their own.

Over the course of one summer, these four orphans journey into the unknown and cross paths with others who are adrift, from struggling farmers and traveling faith healers to displaced families and lost souls of all kinds. With the feel of a modern classic, This Tender Land is an enthralling, big-hearted epic that shows how the magnificent American landscape connects us all, haunts our dreams, and makes us whole.

ERUCC History Book Available

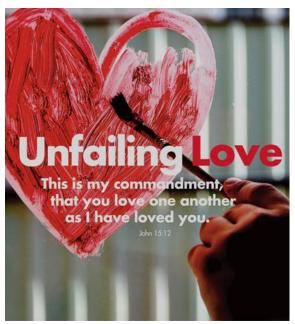
To commemorate the 275th Anniversary of ERUCC, the history book *Unto Us* has been updated to reflect our church history through 2020.

The publication and printing of the book was to coincide with our church's anniversary celebrations that were put on hold due to the impacts of the pandemic. Members of the anniversary committee were able to complete the book and were pleased to present it at the book launch scheduled on September 25th.

The 8x11 hard backed history book, with color photo sections is available for pre-order. Thanks to a generous donor, the cost of the book for purchase is \$20 per book.

If you are interested in ordering a book, please call the church at (301) 662-2762 or email the church at erucc@erucc.org

NEIGHBORS IN NEED OFFERING October 3



Our donations to Neighbors in Need (NIN) help people in the United States in areas of both compassion and justice. The NIN offering, which we will receive on Sunday, October 3rd, supports the UCC's ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. Two-thirds of the offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries to fund a wide array of local and national justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects. Through ucc.org/justice, our national Justice and Witness Ministries office offers resources, news updates, and action alerts on a broad spectrum of justice issues.

Neighbors in Need helps make Unfailing Love possible through grants like the following:

- During the summer, 24 high school students from an economically-challenged Houston neighborhood learned about activism and carried out a local campaign for a \$15 minimum-wage law. The idea came from the basic insight that many Houston residents find it hard to make ends meet, especially workers in fast-food and other service industries.
- When LGBTQ individuals near the campus of Clemson University, in the areas of upstate South Carolina unexpectedly find themselves without a home or a place to feel safe, Peace Congregational United Church of Christ will be ready to meet them. Congregation members and the Clemson community are working side-by-side in the design and construction of a tiny house, a mobile residency for a person in the LGBTQ community who is no longer welcome at home.

Please plan to give generously on October 3rd to the UCC Neighbors in Need offering. You can use the NIN envelope in your envelope packet or give online at erucc.org.

TED TALK - Oct. 12th at 6 p.m. with Pastor Daniel Via Zoom

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/92398918264?pwd=SIVFYzNKUklpczJsMElnOTdtRVdvZz09 Meeting ID: 923 9891 8264 • Passcode: 313735

How to be your best self in times of crisis "Life's beauty is inseparable from its fragility," says psychologist Susan David. In a special virtual conversation, she shares wisdom on how to build resilience, courage and joy in the midst of the coronavirus pandemic. Responding to listeners' questions from across the globe, she offers ways to talk to your children about their emotions, keep focus during the crisis and help those working on the front lines. (This virtual conversation is part of the TED Connects series, hosted by head of TED Chris Anderson and, current affairs curator Whitney Pennington Rodgers. Recorded March 23, 2020

GREEN TEAM NEWS

Sunday October 3rd Fellowship Hour

COMPOSTING! Yes! Composting is back! Washing dishes is back! Composting cuts the amount of food waste going to the landfill thereby reducing the carbon emissions and methane gas. Using real dishes also reduces waste. Look for signs as to where to place your food waste and paper napkins. You can help by volunteering to help with dishwashing and clean up on any Sunday.

Wednesday October 6th 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Frederick Food Security Network Garden - Come help put the garden to bed for the winter. David Mums, the garden manager would truly appreciate help one last time. The garden is located on the property of the Frederick News Post at 351 Ballenger Center Dr. Meet at the far end of the parking lot diagonally away from the FNP building. Bring work gloves and water. Contact Linda Coyle (lkcoyle@yahoo.com) if you need more information.

Saturday October 9th 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Streamlink Tree Planting at 16683 Creamery Road, Emmitsburg, MD

Streamlink is holding five large plantings this fall and we are volunteering for the first one. Let Linda Coyle (lkcoyle@yahoo.com) or any member of the Green Team know you are coming. This is great way for us to work together to care for the earth and Streamlink makes it easy!

Tree-planting events are fun for all ages. Families are welcome! These plantings will create a forest that will help protect cold-water trout streams from storm water runoff. This project has a direct impact on the health of the Chesapeake Bay. Come learn how and be a part of this large-scale local initiative to reforest 30 acres of Frederick County streamsides!

What to bring: garden gloves, sun protection, and water to stay hydrated. Wear closed-toed shoes and dress for the weather. We will plant rain or shine! The holes are pre-dug so no shovels are necessary.

To sign up individually for other dates, go to

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4ca4a72ea7fccf8-tree

Sunday October 17th 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Sustainable Lawn Care Webinar with Paul Tukey, Director of Environmental Stewardship at Glenstone. Presented by the Multi-Faith Alliance of Climate Stewards and Interfaith Partners for the Chesapeake

Caring for the earth can begin in our own yards. Tune in to learn ways to manage your lawn sustainably with less watering, mowing and fertilizer. Please pass this information on to any HOA, golf course managers or other groundskeepers that you may know.

https://www.interfaithchesapeake.org/lawncare

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOS

October 3, 2021

Mark 10:2-16

Enfolding Love Neighbors in Need Offering/World Communion Sunday

What do a Houston teen community organizer working to increase the minimum wage, a migrant seeking sanctuary on the Mexican-Arizona border, and a houseless member of the LGBTQ community have in common? They are all being supported financially by grants from Neighbors in Need (NIN). These are just a few of the ways that your offering to NIN provides real, tangible support to church programs and projects.

- With a background in community organizing, Pastor Darnell Fennell of Just Love Church in Houston, Texas knows people don't have to sit still for economic injustice. He knows the wider UCC feels the same, as seen in statements such as a 2017 General Synod resolution, "A More Just Economy: \$15 Minimum Wage, Living Wages and Job Creation." So, he sought the NIN grant to introduce a couple dozen young people to local activists in the national Fight for \$15 wage campaign and involve them in learning by doing.
- The Shadow Rock UCC Sanctuary Action Team and the Rev. Ken Heintzelman, in an extension of the spirit and intent of their ministry of sanctuary in Phoenix, are in the process of establishing Hope Station Nogales, in Sonora, Mexico. Hope Station, which is funded in part by a \$10,000 grant from Neighbors in Need, is a place where people in transition who are deported from, but have family in, the U.S. can find a meal, safe lodging, and assistance.
- Peace Congregational United Church of Christ in Clemson, North Carolina is working side-by-side with other community members in the design and construction of a tiny house, a mobile residency for a person in the LGBTQ community who is no longer welcome at home. The \$20,000 project is possible with a \$10,000 grant from NIN.

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